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1. [redacted] training at the Inf. OCS #1 at Wroclaw included map reading, use of conventional signs and military symbols, Encl. A7, and defense and attack tactics. End-of-course examinations included questions requiring the candidate to illustrate a minimum of 65 signs and symbols.

They were used by the 62nd Inf. Regt. and all other Polish units on all Polish maps. A red, hard-cover manual entitled Compendium of Terrain Analysis Exercises (Zbior Cwiczen z Terenoznawstwa), published by the Ministry of National Defense in 1951, was used as a reference and included informative map reading, orientation, intersection and resection, drawing of profiles, overlays, use of the compass, and aerial photo interpretation. Each officer was issued such a manual for permanent use.

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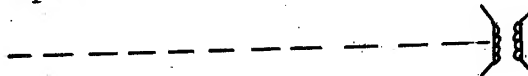
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Conventional Signs and Military Symbols

Conventional signs: black colored, used in all Polish scale maps.

Bridge, concrete  
(Most betonowy)



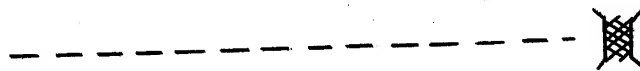
Three-track RR  
(Linia kolejowa trzy-torowa)



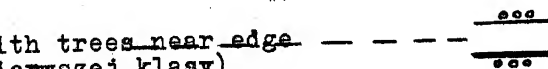
Double-track RR and water point  
(Linia kolejowa dwu-torowa i Wierza Ciszniem)



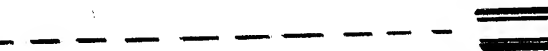
Bridge, steel  
(Most Zelazny)



Road, first class, with trees near edge  
(Zadrzewiona Szosa pierwszej klasy)



Highway, concrete  
(Autostrada)



Dismantled RR crossing over road  
(Kolej Rozebrana)



Forest or field road  
(Droga Lesna lub Polna)



Forest or field path  
(Sciezka Lesna lub polna)



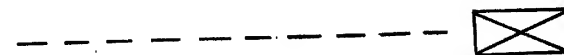
Hedgerow and tree  
(Drzewo i Krzaki)



Orchard  
(Sad Owocy)



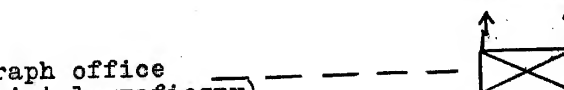
Postal station  
(Agencja Pocztowna)



Post office  
(Urząd Pocztowny)



Telephone and telegraph office  
(Urząd Telefoniczny i telegraficzny)



Meteorological station or point  
(Punkt Meteorologiczny)



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Spring water \_\_\_\_\_  
(Zrodlo)



Bench mark \_\_\_\_\_  
(Punkt Topograficzny)



Observation tower \_\_\_\_\_  
(Wierza Obserwacyjna)



Water tower \_\_\_\_\_  
(Wierza Ciszni)



Church \_\_\_\_\_  
(Kosciol)



Chapel \_\_\_\_\_  
(Kaplica)



Sign post \_\_\_\_\_  
(Drogowskaz)



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**Military Symbols:** red indicates friendly forces; blue indicates enemy forces.

### 1. Staffs


Division Hq. \_\_\_\_\_   
(Sztab Dywizji)

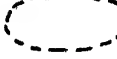
Corps Hq. \_\_\_\_\_   
(Sztab Korpusu)


Regimental Hq. \_\_\_\_\_   
(Sztab Pulku)

Battalion Hq. \_\_\_\_\_   
(Sztab Batalionu)


### 2. Disposition of Troops at Halt


Area occupied by an infantry unit; unit  
(15th Inf. Div.) shown inside \_\_\_\_\_   
(Rejon zajety przez Piechote) (15-sta Dywizja)


Designated area to be occupied by a unit \_\_\_\_\_   
(Rejon wyznaczony do zajecia)


Area presumed to be occupied (circle in black with red lines) \_\_\_\_\_   
(Przepuszczalny Rejon Zajety)


### 3. Tactical Signs: friendly forces in red

Main effort of infantry attack \_\_\_\_\_   
(Glowne Uderzenie Piechoty)

Supplemental direction of infantry attack \_\_\_\_\_   
(Dodatkowy Kierunek Natarcia)

Supplemental direction of tank attack (medium tank shown) \_\_\_\_\_   
(Dodatkowy Kierunek Natarcia Czołgow (Srednich))

Main direction of attack (on high level) \_\_\_\_\_   
(Główny Kierunek Uderzenia i wylom na wyższym szczeblu)

Regimental boundaries \_\_\_\_\_   
(Granice Pulkowe)  
(Predesignated land features are usually drawn in semi circles)

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Division boundaries  
(Granice między Dywizjami)  
(Predesignated land features)

(Tree)

(House)

#### 4. Rifle Units and Subdivisions - friendly forces in red

Automatic rifle  
(Ręczny Karabin Maszynowy)

Heavy machine gun  
(Ciężki Karabin Maszynowy)

Group of heavy machine guns (five)  
(Grupa Ciężkich Karabinów Maszynowych)

Group of HMG in attack  
(Grupa CKMów w natarciu)

Group of HMG in defense  
(Grupa CKMów w obronie)

Main direction of HMG fire  
(Główny Kierunek Ognia CKMów)

Supplementary direction of HMG fire  
(Dodatkowy Kierunek Ognia CKMów)

Rifleman  
(Strzelec)

Squad leader  
(Drużynowy)

Automatic weapons man  
(Celowniczy)

Reconnaissance patrol  
(Patrol Rozpoznawczy)

Armored reconnaissance patrol  
(Patrol Rozpoznawczy Dział Pancernych)

Defended sector (squad covered front 120 to 150 m)  
(Odcinek Obrony)

In attack position (squad covered front 40 to 60 m)  
(Odcinek Natarcia)

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Platoon  
(Pluton w Natarciu)Company  
(Kompania)Battalion  
(Batalion)Regiment  
(Pulk)Division  
(Dywizja)

March formation symbol for:

Platoon  
(Pluton)Company  
(Kompania)Battalion  
(Batalion)Regiment  
(Pulk)Division  
(Dywizja)Anti-aircraft HMG (12.6 mm)  
(CKM Cieskiego Kalibru Przeciw Lotniczej)Group of anti-aircraft HMG (five)  
(Grupa CKM Przeciw Lotniczej)Motorized infantry company (enroute)  
(Motoryzowana Kompania Piechoty w Marszu)Observation post, platoon commander  
(Punkt Obserwacyjny D-cy Plutonu)Observation post  
(Punkt Obserwacyjny)Observation post, company commander  
(Punkt Obserwacyjny Dowodcy Kompanii)Observation post, battalion commander  
(Punkt Obserwacyjny D-cy Batalionu)Command post, division  
(Dywizyjny Punkt Dowodzenia)

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Command post, regiment  
(Pulkowy Punkt Dowodzenia)



Command post, battalion  
(Batalionowy Punkt Dowodzenia)



Aid station  
(Gniazdo Rannych)



5. Artillery Units and Subdivisions - friendly forces in red.

Howitzer, 202 mm.  
(Haubica)



Howitzer, 152 mm.



Howitzer, 122 mm.



Anti-tank gun, 76 mm.  
(Dzialo Przeciw Pancerne)



Anti-tank gun, 45 mm.



Mortar, 82 mm.  
(Mozdzierz)



Mortar, 120 mm.



Mortar, 120 mm, chemical



Mortar battalion, 120 mm.  
(Batalion Mozdzierzy)



Distant artillery target (predetermined area to be avoided)  
(Daleki Napad Ogniowy)



Artillery barrage  
(Ogien Burzacy)



Artillery defense position  
(Stanowisko Artylerii w Obronie)



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Concentration of regimental anti-tank artillery  
for defense or support (outer circle in black)  
(Pulkowy i Punkt Oparcia Wezel Przeciw Pancerny)



Battalion or division artillery defense position  
(outer circle and diamonds in black) (con-  
centration of tanks and artillery)  
(Batalionowy Punkt Oporu)



Company ammunition point  
(Kompanijny Punkt Amunicyjny)



Motorized or self-propelled artillery in column  
(Kolumna Artyleria Zmechanizowana w Marszu)



6. Mechanized Units and Subdivisions - friendly forces in red.

Anti-tank gun (self-propelled)  
(Dzialo Pancerne)



Medium tank  
(Czolg Sredni)



Heavy tank  
(Czolg Ciezki)



Armored carrier or special tank (transported or  
supported chemical, engineer, reconnaissance or  
infantry teams)  
(Czolg Specjalny)



Platoon of medium tanks (two)  
(Pluton Czolgow Srednich)



Company of heavy tanks (four)  
(Kompania Czolgow Ciezkich)



Battalion of medium tanks (eight)  
(Batalion Czolgow Srednich)



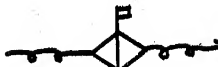
Regiment of medium tanks (approx 42)  
(Pulk Czolgow Srednich)



Division of Heavy Tanks  
(Dywizja Czolgow Ciezkich)



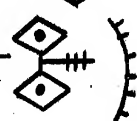
Medium tank division column  
(Kolumna Marszowa Dywizji Pancernej)



Medium tank platoon in combat formation  
(Pluton Czolgow Srednich w Natarciu)



Heavy tank battalion in defense  
(Batalion Czolgow Ciezkich w Obronie)



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Light armored vehicles  
(Lekkie Samochody Pancerne)


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Heavy armored vehicles  
(Ciezkie Samochody Pancerne)


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### 7. Chemical Units


Meteorological point and location of a chemical  
team or unit (black)  
(Punkt Meteorologiczny)

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Chemical patrol (red)  
(Patrol Chemiczny)


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Gassed area (yellow)  
(Teren Skazonny)

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Division or regiment decontamination point (black)  
(Punkt Odkazajacy, Dywizyjny lub Pulkowy)

D.P.O. or P.P.O.


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### 8. Engineer Works and Signs (black)


AT mine  
(Mina Przeciw-czołgowa)

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Anti-personnel mine  
(Mina Przeciw-piechocie)

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Mined bridge  
(Most Zaminowany)

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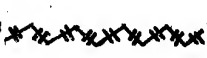
Destroyed bridge  
(Most Zniszczony)

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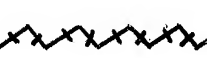
Three-row barbed wire entanglement with aprons  
(Siec Kolczasta, 3 rzadowa)

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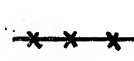
Double row barbed wire entanglement with aprons  
(Dwu rzadowa)

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One row barbed wire entanglement  
(Jeden rzad)

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Barbed wire  
(Drut Kolczasty)

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Concertina wire  
(Walec Bruno)

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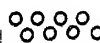
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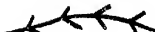
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Mined road  
(Droga Zaminowana) ----- 


Trench  
(Okop) ----- 

AT mine field  
(Pole Minowe Przeciw-czolgowo) ----- 


Anti-personnel (infantry) mine field  
(Pole Minowe Przeciw-piechoty) ----- 

Road block  
(Zawala Drogowa) ----- 


Anti-tank ditch  
(Row Przeciw-czolgowy) ----- 


Section of road in poor condition  
(Droga zepsuta) ----- 


Section of road destroyed  
(Droga zniszczona) ----- 


Shell crater on road  
(Lej) ----- 


Shelter or dugout  
(Schronisko) ----- 


Company kitchen and supply point  
(Kuchnia Kompanijny Punkt Zywnosciowy) ----- 

Battalion food supply point  
(Batalionowy Punkt Zywnosciowy) ----- 

Division clothing and equipment decontamination point  
(Dywizyjny punkt Odkazajacy) ----- 

Regimental clothing and equipment decontamination point  
(Pulkowy Punkt Odkazajacy) ----- 

Company ammunition point  
(Kompanijny Punkt Amunicyjny) ----- 

Division medical station (red-colored cross)  
(Dywizyjny Punkt Sanitarny) ----- 

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